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> Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

> > Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

> > > Hosston C and D Zones and Cotton Valley Formation. DANVILLE FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

WILL-DRILL PRODUCTION CO., INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston C and D Zones and the Cotton Valley Formation, all in the Danville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

- To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a substitute unit well for HOSS C SU60 at the location shown on an attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 729-B-4, effective August 1, 1972.
- To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a substitute unit well for HOSS D SU60 at the location shown on an attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 729-D-6, effective October 19, 1988.
- To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a unit well for CV A SU60 at the location shown on an attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 729-E, effective September 1, 1974.
  - 4. To designate Applicant as Operator of HOSS C SU60, HOSS D SU60 and of CV A SU60.
- To find that the proposed well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the hydrocarbons underlying HOSS C SU60 and HOSS D SU60 which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on these units.
- To approve the downhole combination of production from the Hosston C and D Zones and the Cotton Valley Formation, or any combination thereof, in the wellbore of any well located on HOSS C & D SU60 and CV A SU60 in which the ownership interest in the zones to be combined downhole is identical.
- To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston C Zone in the Danville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Supplement to Office of Conservation Order No. 729-B, effective April 1, 1972.

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The Hosston D Zone in the Danville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 729-D, effective September 1, 1974.

The Cotton Valley Formation in the Danville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 729-E, effective September 1, 1974.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Will-Drill Production Co., Inc., 416 Travis Street, Suite 1200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101. Any person desiring to inspect such data should call Mr. Daryl Fultz at (318) 222-7464 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of each of the attached plats, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Danville Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is

Attorney for Will-Drill Production Co., Inc.

DLS:dp Enclosures

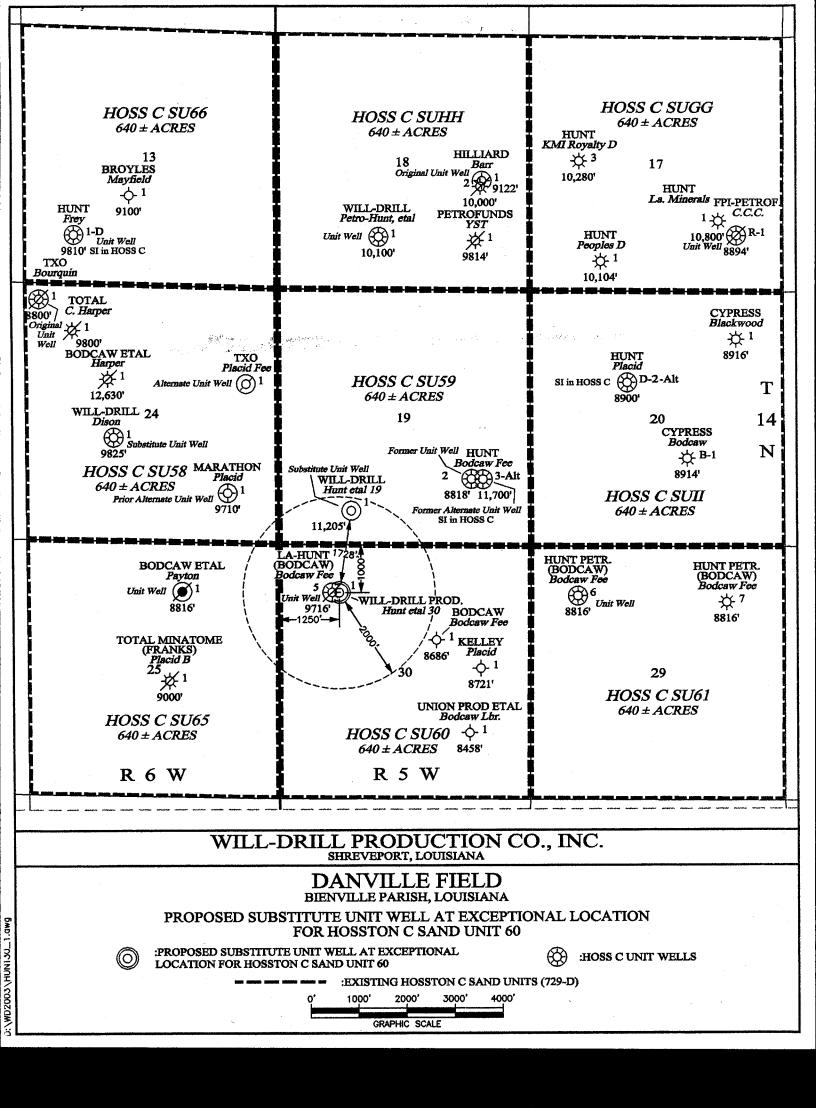
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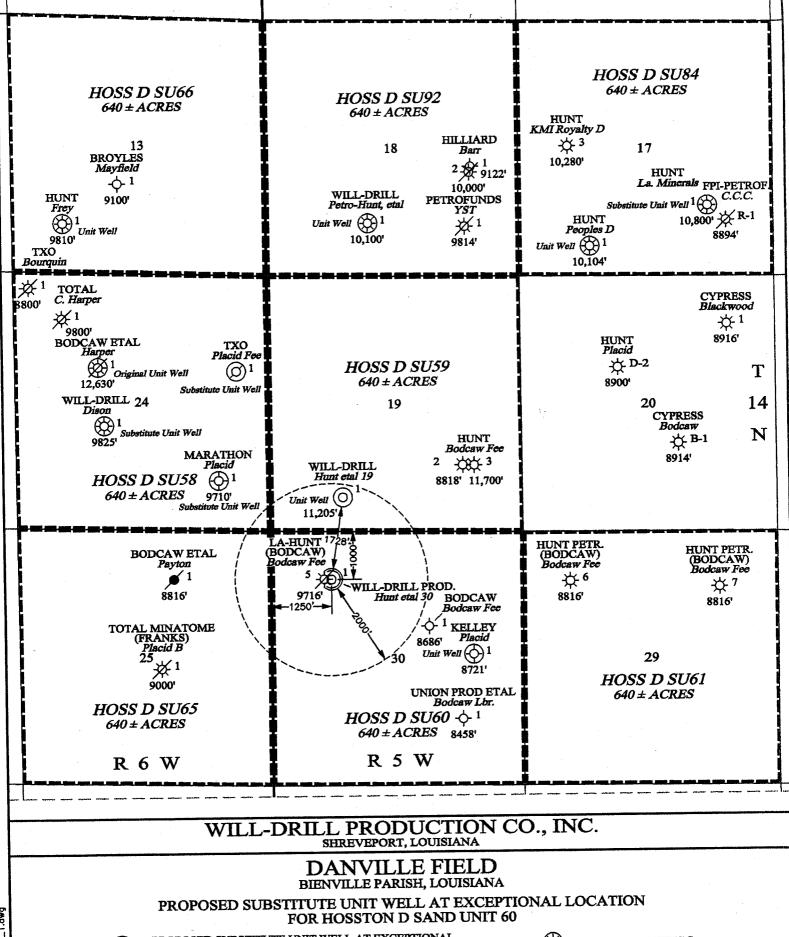
cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

Mr. Currie Smith (w/encls.)

Mr. Daryl Fultz (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented

Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)





:PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL AT EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION FOR HOSSTON D SAND UNIT 60

:HOSS D UNIT WELLS

0' 1000' 2000' 3000' 4000'

GRAPHIC SCALE

